

Westlands Water District

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This notice contains important information about the following:

- CVP Water Supply Update
- Supplemental Water Update
- 2013 Board of Directors Election Results
- Land-Based Charges September Installment
- Lease of District Owned Land

CVP Water Supply Update

The CVP allocation to south-of-Delta agricultural water service contractors remains at 20 percent. Jones Pumping Plant has operated at about 80% of capacity during the current month. Under a 90% exceedance forecast (dry), Jones is projected to pump about 50% of the water it could otherwise convey between now and the end of February. Federal storage in San Luis Reservoir is approximately 200,000 acre-feet, which is about 76% of normal for this date, and has increased storage by about 60,000 acre-feet since September 1. Storage in Shasta Reservoir is about 2.0 million acre-feet, which is about 75% of normal for this date and has decreased about 115,000 acre-feet of storage since September 1.

Given the current storage in San Luis Reservoir and the prospects that Jones Pumping Plant will not operate at full capacity this fall unless precipitation is above normal, San Luis Reservoir is not projected to fill by the end of the water year. The potential range of allocations for the 2014 contract year, reported in the notice last month, remains unchanged. The District will continue monitoring CVP operations and the District's water use, and provide monthly updates so that water users can plan for the 2014-2015 water year.

Supplemental Water Update

The District received timely applications for 2013-2014 Supplemental Water totaling approximately 263,000 AF on 384,000 acres. At this time, the District anticipates that it will be able to acquire approximately 145,000 to 155,000 AF of water supply to partially meet the requests from water users. The District estimates the delivered cost to water users will be \$375 per AF, but the cost may increase as the District continues to pursue additional supplies. Advance payment for the acquisition costs of the water is required at the time of allocation, while conveyance related costs will be billed when the water is used.

Based upon acquisition totals of approximately 145,000 to 155,000 AF, District staff estimates that water users could receive up to 0.413 to 0.452 AF/acre, or a lesser amount if requested, on the irrigable acres represented by the water user account listed on the application. These amounts are only an estimated projection of the annual Supplemental Water allocation based on current information available.

Allocations of Supplemental Water began in April, and the timing and amounts of expected allocations for the year are shown in the table below.

Allocation Month	AF Amount
April – Actual	48,057
May – Actual	1,387
June – Actual	1,313
July – Actual	25,000
August – Actual	31,854
September – Estimated	0
October – Estimated	0
November – Estimated	30,000
December – Estimated	3,300
January – Estimated	4,200

Although Supplemental Water the District acquired from north of the Delta will continue to be pumped in September, the table reflects that it will not be allocated until November, following DWR's and Reclamation's final accounting of transfers. This schedule will continue to be updated monthly to reflect additional supplies and/or changes to the timing for delivery.

2013 Board of Directors Election Results

The 2013 General District Election has been concluded, with four incumbents re-elected to their positions on the Board. Retaining their seats were Directors Daniel Errotabere, Gary Esajian, Donald Peracchi and Sarah Woolf. The four-year terms of the Directors run through December 1, 2017.

Land-Based Charges September Installment

The September installment of the 2013-2014 Land-Based Charges is due September 25, 2013. A penalty will be added to unpaid charges on the day following the payment due date. Please contact Deborah Tuggle at (559) 241-6212 for additional information about Land-Based Charges.

Lease of District Owned Land

The District still has land available for lease. For a detailed list of available land, please contact Cork McIsaac of Agricultural Industries, Inc. at (916) 372-5595 or (800) 822-1415.

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